

House Resolution No. 2487

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State couples who have admirably demonstrated the strength, depth, and vitality of their love through the longevity of their marital vows; and

Whereas, fifty years ago Jack Wayne Bowyer took the lovely hand of his beautiful bride, the former Vesta Faye Longhofer, as the two pledged their troth during a solemn wedding ceremony which was performed on April 24, 1955, in Abilene, Kansas; and

Whereas, five decades later Jack and Vesta Bowyer of Goodman will observe their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with a festive gathering of family members and friends on April 30, 2005, at the Neosho Senior Center; and

Whereas, the marital union of Jack and Vesta Bowyer has been richly blessed down through the years with the love and affection of their children, Kim David Bowyer, Kathy Ann Bradford, and Kala Marie Shuler; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, the Chairman of the Neosho Airport Board, Jack Bowyer has supported his family through his efforts as a farmer who had served on active duty with the United States Marine Corps, attended Northrop Aeronautical Institute and Wichita State University, and worked for several years at Rocketdyne and Beech Aircraft; and

Whereas, Jack Bowyer also deserves mention of his spiritual service as the pastor of two churches, May Community Church from 1977 to 1983 and Seneca Full Gospel from 1984 to 2002; and

Whereas, Vesta Bowyer is a perfect wife and mother who has always ensured that their home was a warm and inviting place for everyone; and

Whereas, Jack and Vesta Bowyer will use the occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary to reflect on the many changes which have occurred in their lives, in society, and around the world since the blessed day they became husband and wife:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the long, productive marriage engaged in by Jack and Vesta Bowyer and to convey to them this legislative body's heartiest congratulations and our best wishes as they celebrate their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Jack and Vesta Bowyer of Goodman, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Kevin Wilson
District No. 130

Representative Marilyn Ruestman
District No. 131

Representative Ronald F. Richard
District No. 129

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 2487, adopted April 25, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker